



All over the world governments, organisations, businesses and scientists are looking for new ways to produce and save energy. Almost everything we use today requires energy. Our computers, televisions, microwaves, fridges and lights all obviously use electricity. But did you know that even fruits and vegetables use energy? When farmers use fuel to drive tractors that plough the fields, for example, it means that even uncooked food has already used energy during production by the time it reaches you.

Our main sources of energy are fuel and fossil-based (like oil, coal and natural gas), which are converted to electricity. The challenge unfortunately is that fuel and fossil-based energy will not last forever. In addition to being limited, turning fuel and fossil-based energy sources into electricity releases around 30 per cent of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere, which cause global warming. So the energy we rely on will not only run out someday but is harming our climate in the process.

Fortunately for us there are solutions. We can switch to **sustainable energy**. This is a form of energy that does not run out and is friendly to our environment. Examples are solar energy, wind energy, hydropower, geothermal energy, bioenergy, and ocean energy. The main benefits of **sustainable energy** are the following:

- it is **renewable**: it will never run out
- it is *clean*; it produces very little or no waste (such as carbon dioxide)

We also need to use our energy well so that we are not wasting or consuming too much of it, an action known as **energy efficiency**. Some examples of **energy efficiency** are when we share vehicles through using public transport, saving power by changing to energy efficient light bulbs and appliances, and insulating water heaters so that they stay warm longer without much electricity used.

You have the power to help the world switch to **sustainable energy**. Learn more about **sustainable energy** on our website (www.unep.org/tunza/children) and then put your ideas on renewable, clean and efficient energy in a painting.

We are pleased to invite children all over the world to submit their paintings on *sustainable energy* to the United Nations Environment Programme office in their regions. Join the competition and you could win cash prizes and help save our future. Remember, we all have the power to make our world a better place.

## Deadline for submission is 31 May 2015.

## Theme: We have the power!

**Sustainable energy** is a form of energy that does not run out or cause harm to our environment. **We have the power** to make the right energy choices and use it efficiently.

We've put lots of information on our website that describes in detail what **sustainable energy** is and gives examples of what we mean by clean, renewable and energy efficiency. To learn more, visit www.unep.org/tunza/children

## Lots of prizes to be won

The 1st Prize	The 2nd Prize	The 3rd Prize
118\$3,000	115\$2,000	US\$1,000

Top three winners will also receive a fully paid trip, including for one chaperone, to the venue of the Award Ceremony.

#### Regional winners

The winner shall be chosen from each of the six regions – Africa, Asia and the Pacific, West Asia, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean, and North America will receive US\$1,000.

Please note that a regional winner may also be considered for the three global prizes and that a global winner is not automatically a regional winner.

Participants will be notified of dates and venue via the UNEP website, once confirmed.

#### How to enter

Participants will take part in the competition by submitting a scanned copy of a painting online, or by posting or courier your painting(s) to one of the six UNEP Regional Offices in the country of your nationality. Paintings must arrive at your regional office before the deadline — 31 May 2015. (See list of regional offices at the back of this brochure)

Once you have completed your painting, scan or take a picture of your artwork and then upload it onto our website – www.unep.org/tunza/children.

Ensure you capture the full image of your painting and in good lighting. If you are unable to submit online, don't worry, just post or courier your painting to your UNEP Regional Office.

If you are from India, for example, your painting needs to reach the UNEP Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific before the deadline. Likewise, a painting from Uganda must reach the UNEP Regional Office for Africa in time. The envelope or container of the painting(s) should be marked "24th International Children's Painting Competition."



Make sure you share this brochure with your parents, teacher, or with older brother or sister, and they can also help explain what you need to do.

## **Entry rules and guidelines**

Please read carefully the following rules and guidelines and ensure that your painting complies with the conditions before submission, to avoid disqualification. For more information email *children.youth@unep.org* or contact your UNEP Regional Office.

- Age Group competition is open to children aged 9 14 years (inclusive).
- Painting size painting must be done on A4 or A3 paper only
- Contact details (in English only) each participant must include their contact details. Contact details must include the following: full name, date of birth (day,

- month, and year), gender and full address including phone and e-mail must be written on the back of the painting preferably on a sticker. Do not write anything on the front side of the painting!
- 4. Style of painting watercolours, crayons, coloured pencils, oil paints, charcoal or ink are accepted. No mosaics or collages will however be considered. (Mosaics and collages consist of any picture or pattern produced by arranging together small coloured material, such as paper, cloth, stone, tile or glass).
- 5. **Number of paintings accepted** participants can submit up to five paintings.

#### 6. Painting eligibility

- Paintings must be the original work of the participant and must be created specifically for this competition. Entries that have been shown or accepted elsewhere will be disqualified.
- Paintings that show or include a particular person, an organisation or a brand name or logo will not be accepted.
- c. Paintings should be received by UNEP on or before31 May 2015.
- d. Online submissions should be a scan image or
  picture of the original painting(s) created by you.
  You will be asked to submit the original painting via
  post or courier should you be short-listed. Failure to
  submit painting within the required time will result in
  automatic disqualification.
- Do not alter digital images submitted online (except to crop out unwanted canvas area or rotate image). Any differences between the submitted digital image and the original (except perceivable lighting discrepancies) will result in automatic disqualification.

#### **Terms and conditions**

Entry into the 24th International Children's Painting Competition is subject to acceptance of the following terms and conditions.

- Entrants acknowledge that by entering the competition they
  have assigned copyright in the painting(s) to UNEP. The
  painting(s) will not be returned to the participants. UNEP
  shall have the right to use the painting to raise environmental
  awareness through exhibitions, websites, posters,
  publications, and to potentially raise funds to further promote
  environmental activities by children.
- The ten finalists and their work will be posted on the UNEP website and opened to online public voters to determine the final top three winners.
- 3. Entrants warrant that the paintings submitted for the competition are their original work personally drawn by them.
- Entrants must state their nationality on submission. Original nationality shall the nationality at the time of submission of the painting and shall not include any contemplated nationality nor the, and country of residence.
- 5. Winners must possess a passport or be eligible to get one at the time of the submission of the painting or at the time the results of the competition are announced in order to travel to receive their prize, as the case may be.

## About the competition

The International Children's Painting
Competition on the Environment is organised every
year by the United Nations Environment Programme
(UNEP) and the Japan-based Foundation for Global Peace
and Environment (FGPE). Since 1991, it has received more
than 3 million entries from children in over 100 countries.

## **UNEP Regional Offices where paintings can be sent:**

## **UNEP Regional Office for Africa**

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